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MANY AFRO-AMERICAN LADIES OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PRECINCT OF THE SECOND WARD HAVE FORMED AN AUXILIARY CLUB TO ASSIST IN RE-ELECTING ALDERMAN HUGH NORRIS TO THE CITY COUNCIL.

Tuesday evening, March 10, many ladies residing in the Thirty-fifth Precinct of the Second Ward, met at the home of Mrs. Robert A. Williams, 3544 S. Dearborn street, under the auspices of the Committeeman Mr. Thomas M. Grant was held the initial meeting of the ladies of that precinct, Captain Grant outlined the course that they should follow as Republicans, after which Mrs. Williams set out the reasons for the call, whereupon organization was entered into by the selection of Mrs. M. T. Mitchell as permanent Chairman, with Mrs. Mary Granger as permanent Secretary. There were present the following ladies: Mrs. Sarah Allison of No. 50 West 36th St.; Mrs. Josephine Davis, 3508 Dearborn St.; Mrs. B. E. Singleton, 3508 Dearborn St.; Mrs. Charlotte Shaw, 3523 Dearborn St.; Mrs. T. M. Grant, 3538 Dearborn St.; Mrs. M. T. Mitchell, 3540 Dearborn St.; Miss E. B. Slaughter; Mrs. B. A. Williams, 3544 Dearborn St.; Mrs. Mary E. Granger, 3522 Dearborn St.

Mrs. T. M. Mitchell was duly selected as the permanent presiding officer, and Mrs. Mary E. Granger as the permanent Secretary.

Miss E. B. Slaughter offered the following resolution, which was adopted without a dissenting vote:

WHEREAS, In that through organization comes to all classes of Citizens that which they fail to secure through independence of action, and since the Second Ward organization has presented the name of Hon. Hugh Norris as being a fit person to succeed himself in the City Council,

THEREFORE be it resolved that this Auxiliary club join hands with the main body, and cast our lot with theirs in the endorsement of Mr. Norris for the place he has so honestly and signally filled for the past two years, believing that he possesses the sterling worth, honesty of purpose, and all those qualities which warrant us in using all our influence in re-electing him to the City Council.

The President, Mrs. Mitchell, then presented the following list of ladies names, with the request that they be added to the list of members: Mrs. Allison, Mrs. Mary Williams, Mrs. Anna Jones, Mrs. Lillie Henderson, Mrs. Carrie Fagan, Mrs. Susie Anderson, Mrs. Jessie Cogill, Mrs. Jessie Mason, Mrs. Monroe, Mrs. Gardiner, Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Head, and Mrs. Smith, all of whom she vouched for in that they would become active, earnest workers on behalf of the organization. Her report was accepted, after which a desultory chat was indulged in, and the meeting adjourned to meet at the residence of Mrs. Lillie Grant, No. 3538 Dearborn Street.

MRS. M. F. MITCHELL,

President.

MRS. MARY E. GRANGER,

Secretary.

STRENGTH OF MISSOURI NEGROES

According to the report given out, Missouri can put into the field an army of 721,167 men between the ages of 18 and 40. Of this number 679,305 would be whites and 41,862 Negroes, as against 420 Japanese, Chinese, Indians and others. Notwithstanding this relative war strength of the Negro and his intense loyalty to the flag, he could not begin to get the consideration from the state of Missouri that the Chinese, Japanese, Indians and others secure. The voting strength of the Negroes of Missouri is 53,921, a gain of 6,508 in ten years. The full voting strength of Missouri, including all races, is 973,062.

HYDE PARK NEWS.

BY

L. W. Washington.

Many congratulations are coming in from all sides, and seemingly from every where. My old friends and brother waiters, are much pleased with my return to the News paper field.

The mission of The Broad Ax, is to awaken the sleeping Negro, to arouse the indolent ones to inspire the honest ones, and to stop the frivolous and the depraved, from destroying those who might be saved.

The Negro should not forget this all important truth; that "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." And this philosophy, "You can not change the principles of a reigning school in a day." And this, "The race is not given to the swift, neither to the strong; but to him that endure unto the end." Then since the race is no stronger than the individual characteristics, we should turn our attention to the training of our children, because the child is but the twig of the tree, if you scratch it, while it is tender or permit any one else to impede its growth, centuries to come will tell of it to our injury, remember that the children of today is the race of tomorrow, what a numerous responsibility.

Mr. I. E. Franklin, Pres. of the Hyde Park Sunday Club, is to be congratulated upon the instructive meeting last Sunday at 4 P. M., at the Clotee T. Scott's settlement. Mrs. Knight spoke upon the subject of the "Negroes Guiding Angel." Dr. Lewis "Tooth Sanitations," and Dr. Lavarado on "Hygiene." The beautiful expression will redound to the good of the community, because so many of our young people were present.

The fight is on, The fight is on, the contest is waging between the Community Settlement and the Clotee T. Scott's Settlement. One is desirous of putting the other out of business, who is at fault, they both can't be right, watch this column in the next issue we shall publish the truth about the matter, as far as we have been able to gather such information, as is necessary to write the story. The fight is on read The Broad Ax.

The Hyde Park Municipal court, seem to be center of attraction this week, for two of our prominent attorneys were much in evidence, Mr. E. H. Wright and Mr. Hale G. Parker.

How long may we ask, will the intelligent Negro or White man either for that matter, play hypocritically with the fundamental things that make for the best interest of the people, always taking advantage of the ignorance, in the attempt to advance their personality, and their right to leadership. How long, how long, may we ask how long?

A unique Sunday school has been organized among the waiters of the Del Prado Hotel by Mr. Perry, teacher of the bible department at the Hyde Park A. M. E. church, they have a membership of 14, members and use their own Sunday school literature.

Mrs. Willie Webb left the city, with dispatch, for Union Town, Ala., to be at the bedside of a very sick sister. We hope the trip will be a pleasant one, instead of sorrow.

Miss Marther Glover, has moved from 5141 Lake Park Ave. to 4727 Evans Ave.

William Cobb of 5212 Lake Park Ave. is on the sick list, may he soon recover.

Elmira Temple, 21 of Lady Elks, gave a social at the residence of Mrs. Cobbs, 5212 Lake Park Ave. Those who were present went away well pleased, the same was a financial success.

A party was given, at the residence, 5218 Lake Park Ave. in honor of Miss Hattie Webb the 6th inst.

Mrs. E. H. Brown, will visit her sister in Los Angeles, Cal., in the near future.

Hannibal Washington, who has been ill for six weeks is better at this writing.

The Logos Literary society put on a double header, Tuesday night, and a splendid audience greeted the speakers, Detective Sergt. Starks spoke on the subject, "The Power the Negro may have if he only would look to God for it. Mr. Morgerson, spoke of the trip to Brazil, and the progress of the Brazilian people." The ladies were served at the expense of the gentlemen, the club will visit the Clotee T. Scott's Settlement next Thursday.

The Hyde Park Women's Charity Club was entertained by Mrs. Thomas Woodward's, 5485 Woodlawn Ave. The ladies voted a hearty response for the dainties received. How can they best help those who need their services most?

Mr. Robert L. Piggett of 5537 Kimbark Ave., has for 16 years been employed in the North American department, of the Fields Museum and this kind of citizenship is worth something to any community.

For years the care and foremanship of the Illinois Storage Company of Hyde Park has been the young aggressive worker, Mr. Chas. Hunter.

Col. William Randolph Cowan, Late Aldermanic Candidate at the Primaries in the Second Ward

BLEW IN SO IT IS SAID \$600 BONES OR COLD DOLLARS OF HIS OWN MONEY THE WEALTHY MEMBERS OF HIS CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE SCRAPED TOGETHER ABOUT \$400 MAKING \$1,000 WHICH WAS EXPENDED IN AN EFFORT TO PUT HIM OVER AT THE PRIMARIES.

SOME OF THE GENTLEMEN WHO SUPPORTED MR. COWAN DOPED OR TOUTED COL. FRANK L. HAMILTON UP IN 1910 TO RUN AGAINST HON. EDWARD D. GREEN FOR THE LEGISLATURE AND WAS DEFEATED BY HIM AND THOSE SAME GENTLEMEN BELIEVED MR. HAMILTON OF \$3,000 or \$4,000.

ONE OF THE COLORED EDITORS ATTEMPTED TO RUN IN UNDER ALDERMAN HUGH NORRIS FOR \$500.

AFTER THE COLORED EDITOR FAILED TO COME IN SIGHT OF THE \$500 HE WHEELED IN LINE FOR COL. COWAN DECLARING IN GLARING HEAD LINES

THAT "CHICAGO WOULD HAVE A COLORED COUNCILMAN AFTER APRIL 8, 1914."

BUT THE COLORED EDITOR PROVED HIMSELF TO BE A FALSE PROPHET AND HE WAS TUMBLED INTO THE PIT OR DITCH ALONG WITH THOSE WHO ATTEMPTED TO ESTABLISH THE COLOR LINE IN THE ALDERMANIC CONTEST IN THE SECOND WARD.

THE VOTES BY PRECINCTS IN THE SECOND WARD SHOWS THAT WELL ON TO 1,500 COLORED VOTES STOOD BY THE REPUBLICAN ORGANIZATION IN THAT WARD.

It goes without saying that Col. William Randolph Cowan, came mighty near making a home run in his race for Alderman of the Second ward, as it was he ran far beyond the second base and for a while it looked as though he would turn out to be a real live winner. It is said that Col. Cowan blew or chucked about \$600 bones or cold dollars of his other money into the Jack-pot, that the wealthy members of his campaign committee hustled early and late and that they scraped together about \$400 making all told \$1,000 which was expended in an effort to put him over at the primaries. Many sober minded people are still firmly of the opinion that if Col. Cowan and his so-called wise and know all leaders and followers would have held meetings in all parts of the second ward and made their fight on the merits of their candidate and what he would do to improve and for the special benefit of that ward in case he was elected to the city council and refrained in every way from raising the Color line by contending that there is or were more Colored Republican voters than White Republican voters in the second ward and that all the Colored Republicans should vote for him, that they alone were strong or powerful enough to nominate and elect him that ill advised war cry or contention was the direct cause of preventing him from coming in under the wire way ahead of his strongest competitor.

Some of the same gentlemen who supported Col. Cowan and made him believe that he would easily be the next alderman from the second ward, at the same time they were engaged in relieving him of his money as fast as they could and imparting to him a lot of unsound advice in the bargain, assisted to dope or tout Col. Frank L. Hamilton up in 1910, to run for the Legislature against the Hon. Edward D. Green, and who was more than two to one defeated by him and when the one sided contest was over between them, it seems that the touters and dopers had shook Mr. Hamilton down for \$3,000 or \$4,000; his so-called friends and supporters looked upon him as an easy mark and they picked or cleaned him to a dead stand still.

The greatest joke of the late Aldermanic contest in the second ward, however, was this one of the Colored editors who claims that "if you see it in his paper it is so or true," but as a matter of fact its columns are generally full of faked news, attempted to run in under Alderman Hugh Norris, and separate him from five hundred dollars, which sum he wanted for supporting him through the columns of his newspaper, some one associated with Alderman Norris let him down real easy by gently whispering in his big ear, that there was nothing doing what he was thinking about. The Broad Ax was and would do Alderman Norris more good than all the other newspapers in Chicago, outside of the daily newspapers.

The Colored editor in question after he had failed to get his hands on the five hundred dollars, so as to enable him to give someone the double cross, he started out to prove to Alderman Norris and his associates that his newspaper had and would exert more real influence than all the other newspapers in town, so he wheeled in line for Col. Cowan and in great head lines running clean across the front page, the Colored editor declared that "Chicago

was to have a Colored Councilman in the person of Col. William Randolph Cowan, after April 8, 1914."

But for some cause or other the Colored editor turned out to be a false prophet, notwithstanding the fact that he has the nerve and the brass to contend that if you read it in the columns of his newspaper it is so or true, so the Colored editor was tumbled into the pit or ditch along with the rest of the short sighted Colored men and women who permitted a few selfish Colored politicians, who are not, nor never have been interested in their present or future welfare, to use them in an effort to establish the "Color Line" in the Aldermanic contest in the second ward. The votes by precincts in the second ward, which follows and they show that well onto fifteen hundred Colored voters stood by the Republican organization in that ward.

PRECINCT	NORRIS	COWAN
1	75	2
2	44	5
3	30	72
4	41	64
5	118	36
6	60	57
7	58	61
8	58	83
10	56	20
11	77	35
12	36	41
13	38	17
14	35	1
15	54	29
16	55	52
17	37	20
18	45	17
19	48	6
20	47	78
21	47	52
22	39	15
23	42	66
24	33	77
25	36	129
26	45	132
27	76	45
28	102	76
29	228	1
30	93	17
31	133	63
32	70	94
33	88	126
34	71	124
35	58	141
36	40	30
37	49	194
38	34	110
39	29	54
40	51	128
41	79	41
42	104	100
43	76	16
44	31	57
45	36	1
46	59	1
47	100	21
48	40	8
49	42	8
50	62	1
	3056	2704

Miss C. Delpha Boger, musical director of the Colored State College, Orangeburg, S. C., this week forwarded to Mrs. Taylor, a large box of lovely Violets and yellow daffodils, which were grown in that sunny clime, and they were greatly appreciated by her and the writer.

PHYLLIS WHEATLEY CLUB NOTES.

Mrs. Ella Groff, President of the State Federation and Miss Marion H. Drake, Progressive Candidate for Alderman in the First Ward were the guests of honor at the regular meeting of the Phyllis Wheatley Club, Wednesday, March 4, at the residence of Mrs. Addie Morris Seenev, 3339 Forest Avenue.

Mrs. Eva Jenifer, Chairman of the Trustee Board announced that the Home had been exempted from taxes.

The Club will hold a reunion of all its old and new members on its 18th birthday at the residence of Mrs. Irene Goins, Ch. Suffrage Committee, 2942 Prairie Ave from 1 to 5.

Mrs. Mable Talbert Dukins, has arranged a fine musical program:—Mrs. E. L. Davis who has been president for sixteen years will give the history of the Club. Mrs. Ethel Caldwell will tell her two year's experience as superintendent.

Recent donations to the Home are as follows:

The Advisory Board.....	\$233.00
Mrs. E. L. Davis.....	33.00
Mrs. Jessie T. Johnson.....	24.00
Philanthropy Dept.	
Chicago Womans Club.....	25.00
North Side Woman's Club.....	10.00
Hyde Park Woman's Club No. 1	7.00
Samaritan Club.....	5.00
Lady Elliot Circle C. O. F.....	10.00
Mrs. Ella P. Davis.....	5.00
Mrs. Lydia Stuart.....	5.00
Necessity Club.....	15.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Bell.....	1.25
Mrs. Fitch.....	1.00
K. D. Tillman Club.....	1.00
Mr. M. Peterson.....	1.00

Mr. M. Peterson also gave a hand-painted china. Six hundred and forty-eight dollars was paid on the mortgage, Feb. 23, leaving a balance of one thousand dollars which the members hope to raise before beginning the great Campaign rally for the Branch Y. W. C. A.

THE HEAD OFFICERS OF THE FIRST REGIMENT UNIFORM RANK K. OF P. CELEBRATED THE BIRTHDAY OF ADJUTANT EDWARD F. PRIME.

Monday evening, March 9, Adjutant Edw. F. Prime, 1st. Bat. 1st. Regt. Uniform Rank K. of P. was tendered a Stag, in honor of his 45th Birthday, at his residence, 3525 S. Wabash Ave. A delicious repast was prepared and served by caterer, Thomas Murray. A delightful musical program was rendered by Mr. Jake Earl. Mrs. Anna Prime received assisted by Mesdames Woods, Alexander A. Knox, of Canada, the Misses Gladys and Hester Prime, and Master French Brown. The following officers of the First Regiment, Uniform Rank, K. of P. were present.

Col. H. H. Biggs, Maj. S. W. Jones, Adj. Edw. F. Prime, Capt. Geo. H. Carter, Capt. E. Van Lucas, Capt. J. F. Parks, Lieut. Frank L. Crittenden, Lieut. William Bell, Lieut. Thomas Smith, Lieut. Mat Hardin, Sgt. Samuel Alston, Sgt. Clint Curtandahl, Mr. Thomas Woods, Mr. William Alexander, Mr. L. Davenport, Mr. Willis Harris, Mr. William Barnes, Mr. Granville Rucker.

Adj. Prime was the joyful recipient of many presents and congratulations with many sincere good wishes from a host of friends.

DARKTOWN FOLLIES COMES TO GLOBE THEATRE SUNDAY.

THREE SCORE SINGERS AND DANCERS TO HOLD ONE WEEK OF CARNIVAL COMEDY.

The Darktown Follies Company which is said to be the biggest Colored Musical Comedy Company on the Road, opens an engagement of one week at the Globe Theatre next Sunday. The play presented is entitled "My Friend From Kentucky."

From start to finish it bubbles with Dixie Comedy. The company is headed by J. Leubrie Hill, the Colored Comedian and he is supported by a carefully selected company of sixty singers and dancers. The show is said to be the best Negro company to visit Chicago since Williams and Walker appeared here.

There will be Matinees Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at bargain prices.

The ladies composing the Auxiliary of the Eighth Regiment, Illinois National Guards, met on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Jas. H. Johnson, 3630 Prairie Avenue, and after transacting some business the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. Jas. H. Johnson; Vice-President, Mrs. Lottie Jefferson; Secretary, Mrs. Benjamin E. Pinkney; Treasurer, Mrs. Louis B. Anderson; Historian, Mrs. Stuart Betts. The \$62.88, which the Auxiliary had on hand, was turned over to the head officers of the Eighth Regiment. The deepest sympathy was expressed by the ladies in behalf of Mrs. John R. Marshall, the past President of the Auxiliary, hoping that she will soon recover from her long spell of sickness and again be able to assist them in the work which she is so greatly interested in.

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CHIPS

Mrs. Betty Ray, of St. Louis, Mo., visited her sister, Mrs. Carrie Warner, 5223 Dearborn Street, the past week on her way home from New Orleans, La.

Mrs. Martha Gray, of 4743 Evans Avenue, is spending the winter months in the sunny south, enjoying the hospitality and fine weather of Houston, Texas, guest of Mrs. Baker, the well known resident of Texas. Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Gray visited the Madigras together.

Col. Milton T. Bailey, the head light and grand high priest of the true reformers in this city and who has been one of the assistant campaign managers, for Col. William Randolph Cowan's late aldermanic boom in the second ward, states that he was in the pulpit at Ebenezer Baptist Church, Monday, March 2, at the time that the preachers were engaged in frailing the Colored women, for failing to vote for Col. Cowan. But Col. Bailey, states that "he did not do any talking himself."

THE EDWARDS BILL WOULD BAR ALL BUT DEMOCRATS

Measure Proposed by a Georgia Congressman to Legalize Segregation.

Washington.—Congressman Edwards of Georgia, author of a bill which has for its purpose the complete separation of white and colored employees in the government service, also wants to abolish the present modus operandi of the civil service. He is said to have asserted on the floor of the house, while speaking in defense of his bill Feb. 24, that it was his desire to reorganize the civil service so that only white Democrats would be eligible to hold positions under the new system.

"There are many of us in the house who would like to see the civil service abolished," said Mr. Edwards. "Then we could not only get rid of the Negroes in the service, but we could put Democrats in. It seems, however, that the friends of the civil service are in the majority, and we are unable to get it abolished."

"My idea would be to abolish the present rotten system, and then rewrite another civil service statute after we had got Democrats and white people. In this way the Democrats would be covered under the new law and would hold on under it. It is politics, but our whole government system is one of politics and parties."

"We can't keep the parties strong unless we give the positions to those who help win victories. If putting the Republicans and Negroes out of jobs is the attitude of a spoilsman, then I am a spoilsman to that extent, for I certainly have strong convictions along that line."

The Edwards bill provides that the executive heads of the several departments shall issue orders segregating the white and Negro employees in every branch of the government service and that hereafter "white clerks shall not be required to occupy the same offices or workrooms with employees or clerks of African blood or descent, nor shall any white clerk or employee be placed under the orders, direction or supervision of any person of African blood or descent."

The consumer does not approach with pleasure the scheme of adopting the hunger strike as an offset for the high price of eggs.

The trouble is a whole lot of people think radium ought to raise a man from the dead, find him a wife and get him a \$10,000 job.

Several New York hotel proprietors have been fined for selling adulterated coffee. In New York they adulterate everything but the price.

This would be a happier world if some of the vaudeville dancers would do their singing in pantomime, as they do in the moving pictures.

Schoolteachers make the best wives in the world, says the Ohio school commissioner. Such diplomacy seems wasted in an appointive office.

Between eugenics and "marriage mills" one continues to doubt whether one is a criminal to marry or a criminal to refrain from marrying.